



Office of International & Cultural Affairs
Mayor Gregory A. Ballard

Indianapolis Sister Cities International

Indianapolis is a Global City. One aspect of our international character is expressed with our many linkages to the rest of the world through the Sister Cities International program. Today, Indianapolis supports and coordinates eight Sister Cities.

Sister Cities International (SCI), headquartered in Washington, D.C., is a nonprofit city-to-city network inspired by President Dwight D. Eisenhower's suggestion in 1956 that citizen diplomacy might reduce the chance of future world conflict. Today, SCI creates and strengthens partnerships between U.S. and international communities representing more than 2,500 communities in 135 countries around the world.

SCI is a leader for local community development and volunteer action. SCI motivates and empowers private citizens, municipal officials and business leaders to conduct long-term sister city programs.

The Indianapolis Sister City Program

Mission

The Indianapolis Sister Cities program promotes international awareness and understanding through cultural, educational, civic, and business engagement and exchange with our international partner cities by empowering private citizens, municipal officials, as well as leaders in the community, business and academia to serve as citizen diplomats and global advocates.

Get Involved!

Each of our individual Sister Cities relationships is managed by a local committee of community volunteers. The Mayor's Office of International and Cultural Affairs directs the Indianapolis Sister City program and we are pleased to have the International Center as a support partner in this initiative.

For each international relationship, there is a broad range of activities to get involved with including youth and/or professional exchange programs, strengthening economic development opportunities, organizing local educational programs, organizing cultural activities and/or festivals, serving as hosts or guides to sister city delegations, etc.

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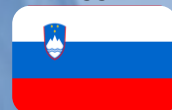
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